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AIR SCOOP

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THE CLUBHOUSE IS SOLD!

The Regina Flying Club Clubhouse has been sold to a local operator. There have been many traditions associated with the clubhouse since it was built. Unfortunately, it has remained unoccupied for the last year and a half. Possession date for the new owner is Jan. 2, 2011. It will no longer be used as a restaurant and lounge. In time, we will see what aviation related use it will be used for.

NEW RFC 406 ELT'S

All of the Regina Flying Club single engine aircraft have now had their 406 MHz ELT's installed. The Twin Comanche's install will happen as soon as it has an inspection and SOS Avionics are available. Like death and taxes, sooner or later the requirement for the 406 ELT's in all aircraft will be law. For now, RFC renters can feel secure in that if you need it, you can be picked by the satellites wherever you are.

NEW RADIO LICENSE PROCEDURES

The process of acquiring a radio license from Industry Canada has changed in recent months. Tom, our General Manager, has been the radio license examiner and issuer for years but since the Industry Canada office he now deals with is in Ontario instead of Regina, there will be more time involved in processing. Previously, Tom issued a temporary license but this is no longer possible. There will be a written and oral component to the test as well as up to a 3-4 week wait from the time of you test until you receive your radio license. Welcome to centralization.

NEED CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS?

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Regina Flying Club
Board of Directors

2010- 2011

President	Bill Thorn
Vice-President	Keith Bjorndahl
Treasurer	Jim Moser
Secretary	Ken Behl

Past-President	Ken Etter
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Board Members	Jim Goldie
	Doug Keam
	Frank Schuurmans
	Doug Wilson

Management

General Manager	Tom Ray
Chief Flight Instructor	Tom Ray

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

They say that two things you can always count on to pop up in any conversation in Saskatchewan – the Riders and the weather. We have had plenty to talk about regarding both lately!

Mother Nature has thrown us many a curve this year, and it looks like we may have a very white winter following a very wet summer! The poor weather has affected club business, but we continue to thrive and fly as often as we can. The conditions have delayed the repairs on the hangar. The roof has been completed, however, the contractor is behind on not only our work, but other projects as well. We do expect the work on the south wall to start any day. Once underway, we should be 3-4 weeks until it complete. We are all anxious to see it done and looking great!

November 30 is the club's year end, and we are looking at pretty much a break-even year. However, with the aforementioned poor weather and the expenses incurred to repair the hangar, I think we did well! We will have complete financial information and results at the AGM in April, so please watch for notices and plan to attend.

As we move into winter, the Board remains focused on completion of the hangar repairs and clubhouse sale, growing the fleet back to full levels following the loss of LJU, and starting to plan for 2011 events such as Open House. There are rumours that Hawk One will be making another tour across Canada and could make another stop at RFC! If you have any ideas or thoughts on what could make our club better, or ways to enhance our member experience, please do not hesitate to contact me or any other board member through the club office. Ideas are always welcome.

Please take some time to visit the club over the coming Christmas season to do some flying or perhaps choose a gift for yourself or a pilot in your

WINTER FLYING TIPS

Included in this edition of the Airscoop are our annual WINTER FLYING TIPS. Even though we have had limited snow or extreme cold, this will be excellent reading for anyone who intends to fly this winter or thinks that it is possible for Winter and Summer flying to be the same!

GROUND SCHOOL STARTS

A new cycle of Private or Recreational Pilot Ground School will begin on Monday, Feb. 14 and will meet every Monday and Wednesday. Anyone interested could start on the following new topic dates:

January 10 - Meteorology and Navigation
February 14 - Air Regulations and Theory of Flight
March 14 - Meteorology and Navigation

The next new Ground School Session start date will be Monday, February 14.

life. Tom and his staff have a great selection of pilot supplies, books and accessories that just about any pilot would like to see under the tree.

In the meantime, thank you for another great year at the Regina Flying Club. We appreciate all of the support from our members and look forward to a wonderful 2011!

Have a Merry Christmas - and as always, fly safe.!

Bill Thorn

SNAG PROCEDURE REVIEWED

Recent events have precipitated the review of the Regina Flying Club procedures for students, renter pilots and staff dealing with snags or defects (maintenance unserviceabilities) with RFC aircraft. The Regina Flying Club has a system in place to catch and deal with all snags as they occur but we need the cooperation of everyone to make it work. If you encounter a snag, small or large, during any phase of flight, please write it on the pink card that comes with the clip board and keys when you sign out the aircraft.

Here's where the system can break down. When you return with the clip board, put the pink card on top of the white card so no one will fly that aircraft until the snag has been dealt with. This is very important, we cannot fly one of our aircraft with a snag. Putting the pink card on top makes us deal with the defect. We must do one of three things before the next flight:

1. Write up the defect in the journey log where the flight is entered, fix it and document it.
2. Write up the defect in the journey log where the flight is entered, defer the defect in the front of the log on the deferred defect page. Note: Only minor snags may be deferred and if you are not sure what qualifies, ask an instructor.

3. An maintenance engineer, Colin or Tom decides after investigation that the snag is not worthy of being notated and will be stroked off the pink card.

Any licensed pilot may defer a defect that is minor in nature. This is designed for a rental pilot that is away from Regina so he or she may fly home. Any defect that affects the airworthiness or safety of the flight, grounds the aircraft until it is fixed. If you are not sure what qualifies as a minor or major defect, please ask or phone if you are away from base.

We would also ask that you check the running total of the air time against the time till next inspection. This time is on the upper left portion of the white card. This is to ensure that there is enough time, before inspection, for the completion of your flight.

We would appreciate your cooperation in these matters so that everyone may have a pleasant experience flying a Regina Flying Club aircraft.

STAFF CHANGES

On the instructional side, there have been significant changes since the last Airscoop. Dan Konchak has gone to West Wind to fly a Cessna 401 on the bag run. Justin Verot has left to go fly right seat in a King Air for a company called Skynorth. This company is based in Winnipeg but Justin will be flying medivacs out of northern Manitoba. Good luck Dan and Justin. One of our previous instructors, Colin Giroux, is a Captain for that company. There are instructor candidates in training that will probably replace those who have left. The ramp staff has stayed constant for some time now. Josh Patterson will be leaving for SIAST in Jan. We will have more about his replacement at that time. Colin Beaton, an RFC maintenance employee has gone to part time. Prairie Flying Service, our current Approved Maintenance Organization will have to fill the gap left by Colin.

RFC - Your Aviation Christmas Store

Need a Christmas present for your Favorite Pilot?

Need a little something for a stocking stuffer?

REGINA FLYING CLUB IS FOR YOU!

***MORE CHRISTMAS GIFTS IN STOCK
THAN EVER BEFORE!!***

Culhane Books 25% off till the 2010's are gone!

**COME AND BROWSE THROUGH OUR
NEW ITEMS IN STOCK FOR CHRISTMAS:**

Items in stock

Electronic Flight Computers
Headsets
Headset Accessories
Aviation Clocks

RFC Flight Bags

Bumper Stickers

RFC Shirts

RFC Pins

RFC Hats

RFC Fleece Blankets

Aviation Christmas Decorations

Aviation License Plate Holders

Assorted Books and Educational Supplies

"One of a Kind" RFC Tree Ornaments

Stocking Stuffers

Kneeboards
Flashlights
Pilot Log Books
Aviation Coaster Sets

Key Chains
Fuel Cups and Strainers
Push to Talk Switches
Aviation Mugs

IF YOU DON'T SEE IT, WE CAN ORDER IT!

PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE LAST AIRSCOOP

FIRST SOLO

Ian Flegel
T. J. Grewal
Franck Groeneweg
Sabrina Lawrence
Richard Line
Ben Love
Pamela McCamon
Colby Ross
Will Smith

PRIVATE LICENSE

Larry Aitken
Rob Curtis
Laura Lawrence
Amber Mondor
Corey Reaume
Darryl Saldanha
Marlys Tafelmeyer
Iain Wright

COMMERCIAL LIC.

Sean Horvath
Gordon Penny
Aaron Zerr

NIGHT RATING

Lindsay Bowers
Jill Suderman
Davis Varin
Francois Vermeulen

VFR OVER THE TOP RATING

Chad Michel

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Regina Flying Club - HOLIDAY HOURS

Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day –
Closed

Open all other days

Aircraft may be rented closed days by advance
appointment made with the office!

NEW FIRST SOLO STUDENTS



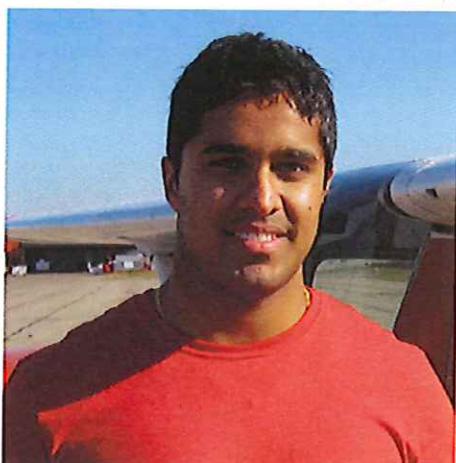
FIRST SOLO!!!
Nov. 26, 2010

IAN FLEGEL
Instr: M. Meehan



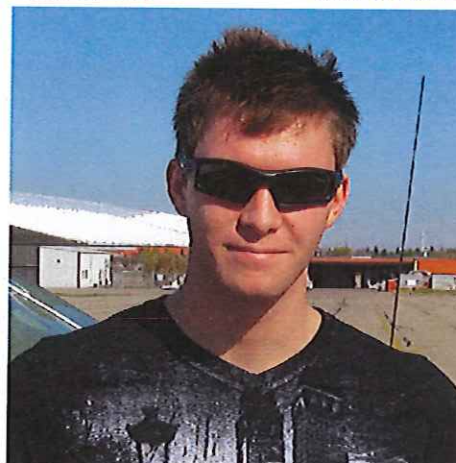
FIRST SOLO!!!
Nov. 26, 2010

RICHARD LINE
Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!!
T. J. Grewal

Oct. 7, 2010
Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!!
Ben Love

Oct. 7, 2010
Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!!
Nov. 8, 2010

Franck Groeneweg
Instr: J. Phillips



FIRST SOLO!!!
Pamela McCamon

Oct. 9, 2010
Instr: M. Meehan



FIRST SOLO!!!
Colby Ross

Oct. 9, 2010
Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!!
Nov. 5, 2010

Will Smith
Instr: J. Phillips